(iii) Ministries of Power and Coal are holding periodical discussions with defaulting State Electricity Boards to clear outstanding dues of CIL.

(iv) Coal companies are also holding discussions with State Electricity Boards to reconcile the outstandings and persuade them to make payments.

(d) Coal India Ltd. have been billing interest on outstanding dues. However State Electricity Boards have been resisting payments of interest.

भावनगर जिले में कोयला और लिग्नाइट के भंडारों के संबंध में सर्वेक्षण

1861. **श्री चिनमभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल** : क्या कोयला मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने सौराष्ट्र के भावनगर जिले के कुछ संस्थानों पर कोयला और लिग्नाइट के भंडारों के सम्बन्ध में कोई सर्वेक्षण कराया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

कोयला मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजित कुमार पांजा) : (क) और (ख) भू-गर्भीय एवं खनन निदेशालय, गुजरात द्वारा दी गई सूचना के अनुसार वे वर्ष 1988 से गुजरात के भावनगर जिले के लिग्नाइट धारक क्षेत्रों का अन्वेषण कर रहे हैं। भावनगर जिले के निम्न गावों—मिथी, बिरदी, लखनका, खरप्पालिया, होईदाद, थलसार, सुरखा, रामपुर आदि क्षेत्रों में अभी तक लिग्नाइट के भंडार पाए गए हैं। भावनगर जिले में कोयले के कोई भी भंडार मिलने की सूचना नहीं मिली है।

Cost of production of coal feidi

1862. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) what is the unit cost of production of coal per tonne from various coal fields;

(b) what is the sale price; and

(c) what are the outstanding losses of coal mines ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRJ AIIT KUMAR PANJA) ; (a) The average costs of production of coal in different coal companies during 1992-93 were at under;—

(In Rs./tonne)

Company	Average cost of production
Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (ECL)	597.90
Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. (BCCL)	499.06
Central Coalfields Ltd. (CCL)	313.00
Northern Coalfields Ltd. (NCL)	239.37
Western Coalfields Ltd. (WCL)	354.52
South Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (SECL)	255.46
Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd. (MCL)	148.65
Average cost of production in Caol India Limited (CIL) ...	334.31
Average cost of production in Singareni Collieries Company Ltd. (SCCL)	491.98

(B) The current average pit head prices of coal produced by. CIL and SCCL are Rs. 382 and Rs. 452 per tonne respectively. These prices are exclusive of excise, royalty, sales tax, cess, taxes and other levies, if any, levied by. Government local authorities or other bodies.

(c) The company-wise position of lative Profits( )/Losses(as on 31st March, 1993 were as under :—

Companies BCCL . NCL .... SECX . . , . , . *UCh* . . NEC/DCC/CIL	.			Cumulative Profits (+)Losses(—) (after tax provision and investment allowance reserve) (Rs. in crores) *(—)* 821.37 (—) 1,159.96 (+) 30.39 ( ) 194.30 (+) 221.50 (—) 28.17 (+) 43.73 (+) 13.32 (—) 199.66
				( ) 2094.52
				( ) 772.94

Non-supply of coal by Mahanadi Coal fields Ltd.

1863 SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of CO AC be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that about 1O0O small scale industries in Orissa are suffering mostly due to the non.supply of coal by Mahanadi Coalfields Limited and as such their production is going low : and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and steps Government propose to take in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA) : (a) No, Sir. According to information furnished by Coal India Limited, despatches of coal from Maha-nadi Coalfields Ltd., to other industries in Orissa, which include SSI Industries has gone up during the current year by about 6% compared to the previous year. Almost all industrial units linked to Mahanadi; Coalfields Ltd. are getting their full requirements of coal.

(b) Does not arise.

आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के अन्त तक कोयले की जरूरत

श्री वीरेन जे० शाह :

डा० जिनेन्द्र कुमार जैन :

क्या कोयला मन्त्री 6 दिसम्बर, 1993 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न सं० 279 के दिये गये उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के अन्त तक देश में कोयले की अनुमानत: कुल जरूरत 311 मिलियन मीटरी टन की रही है ;